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TITAN DESERT

MTB MARATHON

GAES



Riders Guide 2012

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GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Following you will find all the details of the 7th edition of the **Milenio Titan Desert by GAES**, which will be held from 29 April to 4 May 2012.

We recommend reading all sections carefully so you can familiarise yourself with all the characteristics of the race, transport, accommodation, maintenance and other important details. If after reading you still have any questions you can contact us at info@titandesert.com or call us at (34) 902 363 175.

Important dates

REGISTRATION

From **29 September to 16 March 2012: Registration is open** until the limit for participants is reached.

Payment deadlines:

1st payment: upon registration and to reserve a place

2nd payment: before 16 March 2012

SUBMISSION OF DOCUMENTATION

Before 30 March 2012: All documentation requested by the organisation must be submitted: a copy of your passport (valid for at least 6 months after entrance to Morocco), the online medical form and deposit authorisation.*

**If any of these documents are missing they must be presented on 28 April during Verification.*

TEAM CONFIRMATION

Before 16 March 2012: The name of the team must be specified and all participants listed. No new teams will be accepted after this date.

DELIVERY AND PICK-UP OF BICYCLES

17 to 19 April 2012: Reception of bicycles in Barcelona. Delivery by messenger can be arranged before these dates.

9 to 11 May 2012: Pick-up of bicycles in Barcelona, either personally or by messenger service.

BEGINNING AND END OF THE RACE

28 April 2012: Transport and verifications

29 April to 4 May 2012: Race days

4 May 2012: Presentation of awards

5 May 2012: Last day, on which you can pick up your Finisher's Jersey (if you have completed all stages in the allotted time with no drop-outs) at Participant's Service.

Services included in the registration fee

YOUR REGISTRATION FOR THE MILENIO TITAN DESERT by GAES INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING SERVICES:

- Accommodation for 7 nights in hotels and camps from 28 April to 5 May with full board. Breakfast on 28 April and lunch on 5 May are not included. The characteristics of the camps will be specified below.
- Transport of the bicycle by land from Barcelona to Morocco and back.
- Timekeeping during the race using digital chips (provided by the organisation and which must be returned after the last stage)
- Provision of liquids during the race (water and Powerade)
- A book of 12 vouchers exchangeable for 12 1.5-litre bottles of water the bars or restaurant
- Medical and nursing service on the days of the race
- Travel and accident insurance (policy attached at the end of this document)
- Finisher's Jersey* (only if all 6 stages have been completed in the allotted time)
- Exclusive race T-shirt

OPTIONAL ADDITIONAL SERVICES (to be purchased separately)

- Round trip transport by charter flight (MAD/BCN)
- Personalised press service
- Mechanical and physiotherapeutic assistance (to be purchased directly from the providers themselves, apart from the organisation)
- Home pick-up and delivery of bicycles

RACE REGULATIONS

Regulations

THE MILENIO TITAN DESERT by GAES MTB MARATHON is an endurance and orientation event for mountain bike (MTB) conducted as a Challenge, in which participants who arrive after the Control Time or drop out of a stage can start in the following stage, but without scoring in the general classification of that stage or in any other classifications.

In case of another arrival after Control Time or another dropout, the rider must resign from the race.

The competition will be held from 29 April to 4 May and consist of 6 stages. The present Regulations shall apply.

1. Route and distances

Stage	Dates	Route	Distance
Stage 1	29/04/12	Merzouga – Merzouga	111.33Km
Stage 2	30/04/12	Merzouga - Rissani	107.87Km
Stage 3	01/05/12	Rissani - Tourza	137.66Km
Stage 4	02/05/12	Tourza - Alnif	101.70Km
Stage 5	03/05/12	Alnif - Mcissi	116.30Km
Stage 6	04/05/12	Mcissi - Maadid	102.97Km

*Approximate distances. The organisation reserves the right to modify the routes.

2. Participation

2.1 THE MILENIO TITAN DESERT by GAES MTB MARATHON is open to the participation of men and women riders older than 16. Riders under 18 must present authorisation from a parent or guardian to participate in the race.

2.2 Participation may be individual, in teams of 3 persons who may be from different categories and sexes or in teams of two persons of different sexes.

3. Categories

The participant categories will be as follows:

Under 23	Ages 16 - 22	(Year of birth: 1990 - 1996)
Elite	Ages 23 - 39	(Year of birth: 1973 - 1989)
Master	Ages 40 – 49	(Year of birth: 1963 - 1972)
Senior	Age 50 and over	(Year of birth: 1962 and before)
Women	Age 16 and over	(Year of birth: 1996 and before)

4. Equipment

4.1 The organisation will provide the following to each registrant:

- A number plate, two dorsals, online regulations and the roadbook (size DIN/A5). It is forbidden to jettison the pages of the roadbook under penalty of expulsion from the race.

At the end of each stage verification will be made of whether or not the roadbook is intact when it is returned in exchange for the roadbook for the following stage.

4.2 An approved rigid safety helmet whose use will be mandatory throughout the entire race.

4.3 The number plate must be displayed in a visible place on the front of the bicycle.

4.4 The two dorsals must be visibly displayed, one on the jersey and the other on the hydration pack.

4.5 A space blanket must be carried.

4.6 All participants must arrive at the starting line with 3 litres of water, which they can obtain there.

4.7 The use of an orientation compass and odometer is obligatory, and a GPS positioning system is recommended.

4.8 Only the men's and women's leaders of the MILENIO TITAN DESERT by GAES can wear the official red jersey.

5. Conduct of the race

5.1 The event, of 6 days' duration, will be of the raid type consisting of 6 stages in a row. During the marathon stage all outside assistance (both mechanical and personal) is forbidden until the end. The riders must carry the equipment they deem necessary to pass the night.

Participants must sleep in the places designated by the organisation. The stages are cross-country (raid) type races with an individual classification by times which is added up to arrive at a general individual classification.

5.2 The roadbook delivered to each rider includes all the details of the stages, with a description of the course, maps, kilometre marks, a relief map with altitudes, start and finish areas, location of water points, etc. Some GPS waypoints may be included depending on the difficulty of the navigation and the length of the stage.

5.3 The participants must pass through the check points marked. Failure to pass a check point will result in a time penalty.

5.4 The neutral zones and connecting segments, if applicable, must be covered by bike along the route indicated by the organisation.

5.5 The route is open to traffic, which means that riders must follow normal traffic regulations where these apply and proceed with caution in populated areas..

6. Race officials

The Director General shall be in charge of the race.

JUAN PORCAR – Managing Director of RPM
FÉLIX DOT - General Director
MANUEL TAJADA – Project Director
RUBÉN PERIS – Sports Director
MÓNICA BATALLA – Participant relations and Registration
PABLO MARTINO – Press relations
DARIO RODRÍGUEZ – Head Doctor - SerMedBCN

7. Starting line control

One hour before the appointed time for the start, the starting line control, with a bar code reader, will open. All participants must pass this control.

The starting line control will close fifteen minutes before the appointed time for the start.

All riders must pass under the starting arch.

Riders who dropped out of the previous stage and who want to start must leave from the rear of the starting area.

An audible starting signal will be given at the appointed time for the start.

8. Provisioning

8.1 The organisation will provide water for all participants at the start (3 litres) and during the course of the stage (at least one water point every 40km). Water points will be indicated in the roadbook.

8.2 Each rider must write his dorsal number on water bottles, food wrappers and other belongings with a permanent marker so that it is clearly visible. If these items are jettisoned incorrectly, once the violator has been identified by the organisation by means of the dorsal number, he/she will be penalised with a warning for the first offence. A second offence will be subject to a penalty of one hour in the general classification, and successive infractions will be increasingly severe.

9. Arrival and stage classifications

9.1 Stage classification

Participants will be classified according to the order in which they pass the finish line. The check points will then be revised electronically. Failure to pass a check point will result in a time penalty.

9.2 Close of control time and dropouts

A time limit for arrival or control close time will be established in accordance with the characteristics of each stage and will be communicated during the daily briefing. Only Race Management can modify these in case of adverse weather conditions or for other justifiable reasons.

In case of arrival at a check point after control close time the rider must remain at that checkpoint until he/she is picked up by the organisation.

9.3 Team classification

In order to receive a classification all the members of the team must have completed all the stages. To create a special classification different from the general classification for groups, a minimum of five groups must register for the new classification.

The classification of the teams for each stage is obtained by adding the times obtained by the three members of each team, with the highest classification going to the team which totals the least time. In case of a tie, the positions of the three team members shall be added and the team with the least points shall be the winner. In case of another tie, the winner shall be the team with the highest classified team member for the stage.

Only teams which are formally registered shall be included in the team classifications.

Two-rider teams (the Duo Mixto category) must ride together and there cannot be more than 1 minute of difference between the members when they pass the check points (CPs) or the finish line. Otherwise, they will be disqualified from the team classification of the general individual classifications and the time of the slowest rider will be applied to each of them.

The three members of corporate teams must ride together and there cannot be more than 2 minutes of difference between the first and the third member of the team when they pass the check points (CPs) or the finish line. Otherwise, they will be disqualified from the corporate classification of the general individual classifications and the time of the slowest rider shall be applied to each of them.

10. General classification and protocol

10.1 General individual classification by times

In order to have the right to this classification the rider must have been classified in all the stages. The classification is obtained by adding the times of each rider for all the stages.

In case of a tie, the winner shall be the participant who has the least points when the positions for the various stages are added up.

In case of another tie, the rider with the best classification in the last stage shall be the winner.

The members of the two-rider teams (Duo Mixto) shall not be included in this classification.

10.2 General team classifications

These are obtained by adding the times for the teams from each stage, with the highest classification going to the team with the lowest total time.

In case of a tie, the winner shall be the team with the lowest total of team position scores for the stages completed.

In case of another time, the winner shall be the team with the best classification in the last stage.

10.3 Special classifications by category

Special general classifications shall be established for each of the categories: Elite, Under 23, Master, Senior and Women which shall be obtained in accordance with the order of the general individual classification by times.

10.4 Protocol

At the end of each stage the organisation will deliver, during a briefing which will take place at 8.00pm in the

place designated for it, a trophy and the leader's jersey to the top rider in the general individual classification by times. This jersey must be worn in the following stage.

11. Technical provisions

Exchanging of equipment (wheels or bikes) by participants during the race is permitted.

No outside assistance, either technical or material, is permitted during a stage.

It is the responsibility of each runner to pass the check point in the starting area by passing under the arch erected to that effect.

It is forbidden to use any road or pavement which does not appear in the roadbook.

It is forbidden to use unfair methods to gain an advantage over competitors.

It is forbidden for riders to use transmitters or communications devices.

Water can only be supplied in the signed areas which are indicated in the roadbook.

Only vehicles which have been duly accredited by the organisation can follow the race. No other follow vehicles will be permitted.

In order to ensure the security of the participants and to maintain the spirit of adventure of the race, it is forbidden for any vehicle related to any of the participants in the race to circulate on the track during the race or ahead of the pickup cars.

Participants may be assisted by mechanics, masseurs, physiotherapists, etc. from the end of one stage to the beginning of the next, but at no time during a stage.

All such assistants must be accredited by the organisation and may only perform their tasks in official hotels, official campsites and areas set aside for the purpose.

From the arrival of the marathon stage to the start of the following stage, no type of outside assistance to the participants is permitted.

12. Table of penalties/Protests

12.1 Penalties

VIOLATION	EXCLUSION	TIME	NO START	FINE
Mechanical assistance during the stages	X			
Mechanical assistance after the marathon stage	X			
Violent behaviour between riders and/or officials and/or the public	X			
Removal of helmet during the race	X			
Failure to pass through three CPs during a stage or alternate stage	X			
Voluntary or involuntary detour from the established route		5 HOURS		
Failure to sleep in the places designated by the organisation		5 HOURS		
Circulating on unauthorised pavement		2 HOURS		
Failure to return the roadbook complete		1 HOUR		
Failure to pass the starting line control		1 HOUR		
Failure to pass the finish line control		1 HOUR		
Incorrect disposal of food wrappers or drink containers		1 HOUR		
Failure to pass under the starting line arch		30 MINUTES		
Failure to use the regulation helmet			X	
Failure to wear bibs or display the number plate			X	
Failure to carry the required water reservoir (3 litres)			X	
Failure to carry a compass and odometer			X	
Failure to wear the leader's jersey			X	
Wearing the leader's jersey when not the leader			X	
Failure to wear a jersey, cycling shorts or trousers			X	
Covering the advertising on the number plate or bibs			X	
Disrespectful behaviour towards other riders, officials, the public or the environment				€300
Arriving at the finish line without a number plate				€100
Cutting, folding or manipulating the number plate				€100

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12.2 Protests

Protests against the decisions of the organisation must be made in writing in the participant relations tent at the latest 30 minutes after being informed of the infraction. A deposit of €100 must be made, which will be returned if the protest is accepted.

13. List of awards and protocol

13.1 The three top riders in the general individual classification by times, the top three women riders in the women's general individual classification by times and the top three riders in the various general classifications must attend the briefing before the last stage in their regulation sports clothing.

13.2 Awards

The top classified man, woman and corporate team* shall receive:

- Free registration to the 2013 edition of the MILENIO TITAN DESERT by GAES MTB MARATHON

**For the right to claim this award Corporate teams must register the winners from the year before.*

The top classified rider in the Under 23, Elite, Master, Senior, Women's and Duo Mixto categories shall receive:

- A trophy

The second and third place riders in the Under 23, Elite, Master, Senior,

Women's, Duo Mixto and Corporate categories shall receive:

- A trophy

The first, second and third place teams shall receive:

- A trophy.

ROUTE FOR THE 2012 EDITION

The route for the 2012 edition of the Milenio Titan Desert by Gaes has been published and can be consulted on the Route page of the official website for the race, or click on the following link:

www.titandesert.com/es/recorrido/

Stage	Dates	Route	Distance
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HOW TO REGISTER

All registrations must be made online at www.titandesert.com

REGISTRATION FEES

- **€1,695** Registrations from 29 September to 2 December 2011
- **€1,995** Registrations from 3 December 2011 to close of registration on 16 March 2012

FLIGHT RATES

ROUND-TRIP CHARTER FLIGHTS

The organised charter flights for Milenio Titan Desert by Gaes 2012 are now available for booking. Participants can reserve a seat on the flights by sending an email to info@titandesert.com indicating: Name and Surname(s), the flight desired and proof of payment by bank transfer.

CHARTER FLIGHTS 2012

DEPARTURE (Saturday 28 April)

- MADRID - ERRACHIDIA
- BARCELONA - ERRACHIDIA

RETURN (Saturday 5 May)

- ERRACHIDIA - MADRID
- ERRACHIDIA - BARCELONA

PRICE OF ROUND-TRIP FLIGHTS: €495

GENERAL CONDITIONS:

- 1 – The flight must depart and return to the same city.
- 2 – SEATS ARE LIMITED: Proof of the bank transfer must be sent in order to reserve a seat on the flights.

Data for the bank transfer:

ACCOUNT HOLDER: RPM EVENTS
DEUTSCHE BANK
AVDA. DIAGONAL, 446
08006-BARCELONA
C.C.C: 0019-0020-91-4010237406

IBAN: ES33 0019 0020 9140 1023 7406

SWIFT: DEUTESBBXXX

Please identify the sender as follows when making the transfer:

"Name of registrant - VUELOS Titan Desert 2012"

- 3 – Due to customs regulations at the Spanish-Moroccan border, no bicycles will be permitted on the charter flights. Bicycles must travel to Morocco on the organisation's lorries and must be delivered in Barcelona from 17 to 19 April.

4 – Only one suitcase of a maximum of 25kg per participant is permitted on the organisation's flights and payment for excess weight will not be permitted.

5 – The times of the flights will be notified during the week before the race. The departure flights from Spain will depart in the early morning of the 28th so participants who have to make connections should programme their flight to the city of departure for the previous day.

6 – Seats on the charter flights are limited and will be assigned strictly by order of reservation and payment. The reservation will be considered effective when the deposit for the flights is made and the organisation receives the details of the registrant, the flight requested and the proof of payment.

7 – If all seats on the charter flights are already booked, it will be the responsibility of each participant to make the necessary arrangements to be present at the verification on 28 April in Morocco.

8 - Cancellations: No refunds for the charter flights will be possible.

9 – If you have any questions you can contact Participants' Service for the Milenio Titan Desert by Gaes, by telephone (+34) 902 363 175 or e-mail at info@titandesert.com.

10 – For those participants who wish to travel to Morocco on their own, the nearest airport to the starting area is the airport of Er-Rachidia (2 hours by car from the meeting point) followed by Ouarzazate (6 hours), Fez (7 hours) and Marrakech (10 hours).

SPECIAL DISCOUNTS

UNDER 23 FEES (Born after 28 April 1989)

€1,595 Registration between 29 September and 2 December 2011

€1,895 Registration between 3 December 2011 and close of registration on 16 March 2012 at 3.00pm

LOYALTY DISCOUNTS*

- **€50** - one previous race

- **€100** - two or more previous races

*These discounts cannot be combined with other offers

TERMS OF PAYMENT

In order for the registration to be valid the participant must complete the following steps:

- Complete the online **registration form** on the website or send a copy of it by fax to +34 934 220 721.
- Send a **bank receipt** for the transfer of the registration fee or the first instalment by e-mail or fax.

Non-compliance with any of these conditions by 2 December 2011 will result in the automatic application of Fee 2.

Fee No. 1: €1,695 (from 29 September 2011 to 2 December 2011)*

- €895 at the time of registration for registration before 2 December 2011 **FOR RESERVATION OF A PLACE**
- The balance of the registration fee is due before 16 March 2012, the deadline for reservations

Fee No. 2: €1,995 (from 3 December 2011 to 16 March 2012 at 3.00pm)*

- €1,195 at the time of registration for registration beginning on 3 December 2011 **FOR RESERVATION OF A PLACE**

- The balance of the registration fee is due before 16 March 2012, the deadline for reservations

* Reservations of places and deposits will not be transferrable between different participants.

All extra services provided by the organisation (refund guarantee, charter flights, home pick-up and delivery of bicycles, etc.) must be paid for when ordering and will not be eligible for a refund unless otherwise stated.

All deposits must be made to the following account:

**DEUTSCHE BANK
AVDA. DIAGONAL, 446
08006-BARCELONA
Titular: RPM EVENTS**

C.C.C: 0019-0020-91-4010237406

**IBAN: ES33 0019 0020 9140 1023 7406
SWIFT/BIC: DEUTESBBXXX**

Please identify the sender as follows when making the transfer:

"Name of registrant - VUELOS Titan Desert 2012"

- All deposits must be accompanied by the submission of a bank receipt (to info@titandesert.com or by fax to (+34) 934 220 721). No registrations will be accepted without the corresponding receipt.
- Complete payment of registration fees is accepted.
- An invoice with all necessary data can be provided upon request.

In order to finalise registration, the participant must complete the following steps by 30 March 2012:

- Complete the online medical form on the website
- Send a scanned copy of the passport (valid for at least 6 months after entrance to Morocco) by e-mail
- Complete the deposit form and send a copy by e-mail or fax.

CANCELLATION POLICY

- Cancellations before 2 December 2011 shall be subject to a processing fee of €50.
- Cancellations before 31 January 2012 shall be subject to fee of 50% of the amounts paid up to that time for fees and flights.
- Cancellations before 16 March 2012 shall be subject to a fee of 75% of the amounts paid up to that time for fees and flights.
- All cancellations after the close of registration will not be eligible for any return whatsoever.

REFUND GUARANTEE



In response to the needs expressed by participants registered for the seventh edition of the race, the organisation of the Milenio Titan Desert by GAES 2012 now offers the possibility to guarantee the refund of the registration fee in case the registrant cannot attend the race.

The race organisation offers a guarantee service for race participants in case you can't be present at the start. This offer is in addition to the current cancellation policy for registration fees, which is available to all registrants.

Up to now, if a registrant couldn't participate in the Milenio Titan Desert he/she could request withdrawal from the race and recover a percentage of the amount paid (the cancellation policy).

With this new offer, you can guarantee the refund of the entire amount of the registration fee.

The most common reasons for cancellation have been injuries and medical problems, but this will no longer be a problem for those who purchase the Refund Guarantee, since they will be able to recover their money. Those registrants who do not want to worry about the possible injuries they might suffer in training can subscribe to the Refund Guarantee service by filling out the form and making the corresponding payment.

If you have subscribed to this service and have to withdraw from the race, you can do so until 13 April at 3.00pm (Spanish time).

CANCELLATION WITHOUT REFUND GUARANTEE – *(The cancellation policy included in the registration fee)*

- Cancellations before 2 December 2011 shall be subject to a processing fee of €50.
- Cancellations before 31 January 2012 shall be subject to fee of 50% of the amounts paid up to that time for fees and flights.
- Cancellations before 16 March 2012 shall be subject to a fee of 75% of the amounts paid up to that time for fees and flights.
- All cancellations after the close of registration shall have no right to any return whatsoever.

CANCELLATION WITH REFUND GUARANTEE – *(OPTIONAL GUARANTEE)*

- Cancellations before 30 March 2012 at 3pm will not be subject to charges and **100% of the registration fees** paid to date will be returned.
- Between 30 March 2012 at 3.01pm and 13 April at 3pm, **50% of the registration fees** paid to date will be returned.
- The amount paid for **flights** will be refunded in its entirety up to 31 January 2012. After this date and until 13 April 2012, 50% of the amount will be refunded.

HOW TO ORDER THE REFUND GUARANTEE

IMPORTANT: The Guarantee must be purchased on the same day as the registration.

- 1.- Fill in the form on the website along with the registration information.
- 2.- Make the payment by bank transfer (**€90 if purchased before 2 December 2011 and €110 if purchased from 3 December 2011 until close of registration**).

3.- Send the form and proof of payment to the organisation by e-mail (info@titandesert.com) or fax (+34 934 220 721).

SHIPPING THE BICYCLE: TRANSPORT AND RETURN

The organisation requests participants to fill in the **bicycle transport document** in which the participant's preferences can be indicated. The bicycle transport document can be downloaded from the website at the end of March and sent to the organisation by fax at +34 934 220 721 or by email to participantes@titandesert.com.

The maximum acceptable weight for a bicycle box will be 20kg. The organisation will weigh the boxes before loading them on the lorries. If the maximum authorised weight is exceeded the organisation reserves the right to open the boxes and remove contents in order to reduce the weight to the permitted maximum.

DELIVERY OF BICYCLES

OPTION A:

Participants can deliver their bicycles to the RPM warehouse designated for the purpose, either personally or through a messenger service contracted by them. (This will require previous receipt of the official bike box shipped at the participant's cost.)

Address: **BOFILL & ARNAN, S.A.**
BCN Aduanas y Transportes, S.A.
Av. Ports d Europa, 72-80
Zona d Activitats Logístiques Z.A.L.
08040 BARCELONA (Spain)
Tel. +34 93 600 05 00

Delivery times: 10am to 1.30pm and 4pm to 6.30pm

Delivery dates: 17 to 19 April

There will be an area set aside for packing the bicycles with boxes, packing tape and markers.

There will be no tools available for disassembling the bicycles. Each participant must arrive with the tools he/she will need.

OPTION B:

Shipment of boxes to your home and pick-up of the packed bicycle on the following day in the same place (only mainland Spain).

The procedure for this option is as follows:

1.- Contact **Participants' Service** (participantes@titandesert.com or (+34) 902 363 175) to receive a carton from the MTD by GAES at your home. When making the request you must furnish all contact details along with the race dorsal number of each participant. (The list with these numbers will be published on 23 March 2012.)

2. - When you receive the box, pack up the bicycle and it will be picked up at your home on the following day.

The cost for pick-up and shipping to our warehouse is €75.

3. - Please remember that in order to correctly pack the bike, the pedals must be removed and the handlebars turned at the stem.

We recommend that you include in the bicycle box all the material you wish to send to Morocco, such as energy bars, jellies, helmet, sports shoes, clothing and other items to be used during the race, as long as the total weight does not exceed **20 kilos** and the initial dimensions of the box are not deformed. **The organisation reserves the right to empty contents from boxes with excess weight.**

Important: If you wish to transport compressed air bottles, they must be packed in the bicycle boxes because they are not permitted on the airplane.

This option is only available up to 12 April.

PICK-UP OF BICYCLES

The process is similar for the **return of bicycles at the end of the race.**

OPTION A:

Pick-up at the warehouse designated by RPM, the same place where they were delivered. This can be effected personally or by means of a messenger service contracted by the participant.

Timetable for pick-up: 10am to 1.30am and 4pm to 6.30pm

Pick-up dates: 9 to 11 May 2012.

From 15 May on a storage charge of **€10 per day** will be applied.

OPTION B:

As for the delivery, contact Participants' Service to contract shipping from Barcelona to your home.

This service must be ordered before the last day for pick-up, that is, 11 May. **The cost of this service is €75.**

The transport of bicycles on the charter flights of the organisation is limited. For those travelling on their own on regular flights, remember that the organisation will not be responsible for the condition in which the bicycles arrive and that each participant will be responsible for check-in and pick-up at the corresponding airports. We recommend using the organisation's own transport service.

In case of an accident to the transport vehicle, payment will be made for total or partial damage to the bicycles according to the assessment of the company's surveyor, pending prior presentation of an invoice, estimate or receipt, and taking into account depreciation (for age and use).

TRANSPORT AND LOGISTICS

TRANSPORT OF SUITCASES

1. The organisation of the MTD by GAES will transport **one suitcase per participant** during each stage.
2. The transport of these bags will be effected **in local lorries piled one on top of the other, and will travel by a different route** from the race.
3. The organisation **will not be responsible for damage** to these bags.

4. We recommend that **the bags be made of abrasion resistant material** and that, in particular, they are not of rigid construction, since this would make them more easily breakable.
5. The approximate dimensions of a bag should be **61x38x38cm**, with a capacity of 70 litres **and a maximum permitted weight of 25kg. The transport of suitcases weighing more than 25kg will not be permitted.**
6. The delivery of suitcases for loading will take place each morning in an area set aside for it in the camp and it will be the **responsibility of each participant to ensure that his/her suitcase has been loaded onto the lorry.** Loading time: **from 7am to 7.30am.**
7. The **pick-up** of the bags will take place in the place set aside for this purpose. The bags will be deposited on the ground on a plastic sheet.
8. **Each bag must be duly identified** with the name and dorsal number of the participant.
9. During the **day of the marathon stage**, no suitcases will be delivered to the participants. They will be claimed at the finish line of the second marathon day.
10. **No material must be left in the cardboard boxes in which the bicycles were transported** since these boxes will be taken apart and the return will be made in different boxes.
11. No more than one suitcase per participant will be permitted **on the organisation's planes** and the maximum weight will be **25kg, with no excess weight permitted.**
12. **In case of an excess of equipment, the organisation offers the possibility of hiring an equipment transport box. The price for these boxes is €300 and they will be transported in the assistance lorries.**

DEPARTURE TO AND RETURN FROM THE RACE

The organisation will be offering round-trip flights from different airports. Nonetheless, participants are free to arrange their own transport.

For those who wish to opt for one of the organisation's flights, the different options and rates are available on the official race website.

For those travelling by their own means, the meeting point will be the Hotel Tombouctou in Merzouga on Saturday 28 April from 8am to 12pm.

VERIFICATION

- Verification for the **Milenio Titan Desert by GAES** will take place on 28 April for all participants.
- Upon arrival, all participants and assistance personnel must pass through the designated area to pick up their documentation. Verification will take place from 8pm to 3pm.

- **Participants** will receive an envelope containing:

- 2 dorsals to be affixed as indicated in the regulations
- Safety pins
- 1 bicycle number plate
- Cable ties
- A timekeeping chip
- A souvenir race T-shirt
- A book of 12 vouchers exchangeable for water at the bars or restaurants in the camps
- 6 energy bars and 6 SiS jellies.

- The release from liability and the medical form must be signed.

- **If the deposit sheet has not been completed:** A deposit of €85* in cash shall be made to cover possible costs deriving from the loss of the chip.

**This deposit will be returned on 4 April by Participant's Service from the arrival of the first rider until 7.30pm upon return of the timekeeping chip.*

- **EACH PARTICIPANT SHALL REMOVE HIS/HER BICYCLE FROM THE SECURE PARKING AREA:** Bicycles cannot be removed from the transport lorry until all administrative verifications have been completed and participants have been duly accredited.

PROVISIONING

	WATER	POWERADE
START	2 bottles	X
AV1	1 bottle	X
AV2	2 bottles	1 bottle
AV3	1 bottle	1 bottle
FINISH	Glasses	1 bottle

- **NEW** for the 2012 edition: Each participant will receive a book of 12 vouchers that can be exchanged for 12 bottles of water outside of race time. (These vouchers cannot be exchanged for other drinks.)
- **Other water and drinks** consumed during the day will be at the participants' own expense.
- **NEW** this year: At AV2 you will be able pick up a container with your own drink. This container must be marked with your dorsal number and dropped off the night before at the camp.

** Remember to leave the desert and mountains the same as or better than you found them.*

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DROP-OUTS

- All participants who drop out of one of the stages must **notify the corresponding control point** or wait for the arrival of the pick-up car.
- At that time he/she will **sign the drop-out sheet and note the reason and the mileage point.**
- The organisation will **transport the participant and the bicycle to the next camp** in a pick-up vehicle or other vehicle.
- The organisation **will not be responsible for any damage to the bicycle** during transport, although they will endeavour to be as careful as possible.
- **Drop-outs have the right to start in the next stage.** Any subsequent drop-outs will mean that starts in subsequent stages will not be permitted. From the second drop-out on, the participant will join the logistics convoy that travels from camp to camp.
- No participant who has dropped-out **can be included in the general classification or victory for a stage.**
- The organisation will transport participants who have dropped out from camp to camp in the logistics convoy.
- Participants who have dropped out of the race and who do not wish to continue in the convoy from camp to camp can be accommodated in a hotel in Erfoud. The price per night with half board is €95/person for a single room and €70/person double occupancy. The cost of transport from the camp to the hotel is €150 and to the nearest airports: Fez €300/person and Ozz €200/person.
- Any participant who wishes to return to Europe can make arrangements with the organisation to locate the nearest airport.
- **Transport to a nearby hotel or airport** can also be arranged and charged to the participant's credit card.

**All extra services will be charged in advance with a written authorisation to charge to a VISA card.*

MEDICAL SERVICE

A medical service consisting of 9 specialists in sporting events will be available during the race. It will consist of 5 doctors and 4 healthcare technicians distributed as follows:

- 1 doctor and 1 technician in the camp
- 1 doctor and 1 technician in the race medical car
- 1 technician at AV2
- 1 doctor in the pick-up car
- 1 doctor at CP2
- 1 technician at AV3
- 1 technician in the helicopter

The medical team will be equipped with all the requirements for this type of race.

TIMETABLE FOR THE MEDICAL SERVICE

24 hours a day on all race days. The team on duty in off-hours will treat all emergency health problems requiring immediate medical attention.

During the day the medical team will be available in the medical *haima* from 5.30am to 11pm for visits with doctors, treatments, follow-ups, etc. After 11pm a team will be on duty for **emergency attention. (No routine treatment will be performed during emergency hours.)**

GENERAL MEDICAL RECOMMENDATIONS

The Spanish Ministry of Health recommends vaccinations for **hepatitis A and B and tetanus and diphtheria** before travelling to Morocco. Most health plans in the European Union include these vaccinations so participants should already have been vaccinated. If not, we recommend getting the vaccinations before travelling to Morocco.

Although other diseases, such as **rabies and schistosomiasis** exist in Morocco, in an organised trip like the MTD the risk is negligible. In any case, we recommend avoiding all contact with animals in the area, swimming in rivers and lakes and walking barefoot.

Diseases that can be contracted orally through the ingestion of water or contaminated food or by carrying the hands to the mouth after touching contaminated objects, dirty parts of our bodies, public toilets, etc., such as hepatitis A, salmonella and E. coli, can cause diarrhoea, fever or more serious disorders, so it is essential to take the following basic measures to avoid contagion:

Always wash your hands after using the toilet and before eating, don't carry your hands to your mouth, wash all fruit and vegetables with bottled water before eating, only drink bottled drinks with unbroken seals and do not drink from the same bottles as others.

If affected by diarrhoea, oral rehydration is recommended (with oral rehydration solution or isotonic drinks) to replace liquids lost. If after a few hours bowel movements do not become less frequent and return to normal, **anti-diarrhoea medicine** (such as Fortasec) may be taken, as long as there is no fever.

The use of a double culotte is recommended to avoid abrasions and sores on the buttocks and points of friction. It is also essential to be well hydrated (by means of the copious ingestion of liquids) and to hydrate the skin by liberally applying vaseline to the buttocks before the race. Moisturising cream should be applied during the night to hydrate the area and assist in recovery.



If a sore appears, wash the area with soap and water. Once dry, apply a thin hydrocolloid dressing (which completely covers the affected area) and do not remove it until the end of the event. The dressing will help protect the affected area and avoid scarring.

PARTICIPANT MEDICAL FORM

The Participant Medical Form must be completed by 30 March 2012. The form is mandatory for everybody and must be completed **online**. **It is vitally important for the medical team to have the health information for all participants before leaving for Morocco** so that they can evaluate the possible health risks for each individual participant.

During the event, the medical form will enable us to know the medical history of each participant, if necessary, as well as providing emergency contact details.

ANTI-DOPING CONTROL

An anti-doping check will be carried out in the hotel after the finish of the last stage. The check will be performed on the winners of each classification as well as 2 participants chosen by the organisation. The samples will be analysed in Spain the following day.

RACE TIMES

All **race schedules** from the arrival of the flight to the departure of the return flight, all the times mentioned in this document and all working times during the race will be expressed in local Moroccan time.

A TYPICAL RACE DAY SCHEDULE

RACE TIMES:

All schedules and the official race time are expressed in local Moroccan time.

A day in the desert: One day in the Milenio Titan Desert by GAES

A typical day in the Milenio Titan Desert begins as first light breaks over the desert. Just as the sun peeks over the horizon the titans begin preparing for the new day. When the alarm goes off at 6pm it's time to get moving and begin preparing for the day's race. There's no time to lose because many tasks have to be completed by 8am, when the the stage begins.

7.00am: Suitcases are placed on the lorry. They'll be waiting at the camp at the end of the stage. This is also breakfast time.

7.00am: Mandatory water pick-up for the stage begins. The rules require that all participants must fill their hydration pack before the start control at 7.30 and the pick-up of the bicycle from the parking area at 7.45.

8.00am: The starting gun is fired for the beginning of the day's stage. The riders must be lined up under the arch that marks the start of the route. During the race participants will find various Control Points (CPs—3 or 4 per stage) and water points (3 per stage, with cold drinks at the second and third).

The **end of the stage** will depend on the participant's pace. Some will finish in 4 or 5 hours and others will take 10. At the finish the day's roadbook must be returned complete to the monitors, who will deliver the roadbook for the next day.

Now it's time for lunch. A buffet will be served in the dining tent from the time of arrival of the first participant until 5pm. The rest of the afternoon will be taken up by rest, showers, bicycle repair or visits to the physiotherapist. The **rest period** lasts until 7pm, when the dining tent opens for dinner. It closes at 11pm.

8.00pm: This is the time for the briefing for the following stage, where participants will receive instructions for the next day and can take notes in their roadbook. Television coverage of the highlights of the day's race will be shown. Simultaneous translation from Spanish to English will be available for foreign participants, who should request the audio equipment before the briefing.

9.00pm: Time to go to bed after preparing the clothing for the next day and some mental preparation for the next stage.

-MORE INFORMATION: CHECK OUT THE VIDEO 'THINGS TO DO BEFORE THE START'

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dNZSUDHM8c8>

MEALS: WHAT AND WHEN

Times for breakfast, lunch and dinner and what will be served.

BREAKFAST (5.30am to 8.00am)

- Milk /coffee/tea/juice/cocoa
- Rolls/pastry
- Cereal
- Toast
- Butter and jam
- Honey
- Cheese
- Fruit (no bananas)

LUNCH (12.00pm to 5.00pm)

- Rice
- Pasta
- Boiled potatoes
- Tomatoes/cheese/tuna
- Dessert
- Orange with cinnamon and other fruit (no bananas)

DINNER (7.00pm to 11.00pm)

- Rice
- Pasta
- Different pulses every day (lentils, chick peas, etc.)
- Vegetable soup or cream of vegetables (stew or harida)
- Two different meats every day (chicken, tagine, kefta, etc.)
- Dessert
- Orange with cinnamon and other fruit (no bananas)

ONLINE MONITORING OF THE RACE

All online monitoring during the race must be notified to the organisation and approved by it. The use of systems not approved by the MTD will be subject to a penalty of 10 hours for each day used.

ELECTRICITY IN THE CAMPS

In the arrival hotel the electrical outlets are the normal ones that can be found in any establishment. Electrical current in Morocco is 220v at 50hz. No special adaptors are necessary for plugs.

As in the last edition of the race, there will be an area for charging electronic devices in the camps. The organisation will not be responsible for devices while they are charging. **Labelling or marking of the devices is recommended to avoid confusion.**

Nevertheless, we recommend the use of batteries for the GPS devices, cameras, video recorders and other devices.

Electricity will be provided from 6.00am to 10pm.

CURRENCY USED DURING THE RACE

The unit of currency used during the MTD is the **titanito**, which can be purchased from Participants' Service in books of 40 units* for €35 (€0.875/titanito).

**Starting on 3 May books of 16 titanitos will be available for €14 (€0.875/titanito)*

All beverages in the bar and restaurant can be paid for with these units. Typical prices for beverages:

- Water 1.5l 3 **titanitos**
- Soft drinks 3 **titanitos**
- Beer 4 **titanitos**

ASSIGNMENT OF ROOMS IN HOTELS AND CAMPS

The assignment of rooms and places in the *haimas* in the camps will be made by the organisation in accordance with the teams registered, the categories and the suggestions of the participants. Women will be assigned places with other women, even if they form part of a duo mixto team, unless they specify otherwise.

Once the assignments have been published no modifications will be accepted. The organisation will try to satisfy the requests of all participants but cannot guarantee that the distribution in the *haimas* will be as requested in all cases.

- **From 28 April to 3 May** – Participants sleep in the camps
- **4 May** – Participants will be accommodated in the Hotel Xaluca Erfoud and Hotel Chergui
- Rooms in hotels will be **triple occupancy**
- During the stages, except the marathon, **haimas will accommodate 3 participants**, with the same assignments as in the hotels. During the night of the marathon stage, all participants will sleep in a large common tent.
- It is forbidden to sleep in hotel rooms or other outside accommodation on camp nights.

Each *haima* measures roughly 5 x 3 metres and accommodates 3 people.

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE CAMPS

The following services will be available in the camps:

- *Haimas* with a capacity of 3 people, each equipped with mattresses, sheets, pillows, blankets or bedspreads, towels, individual soaps, a wastebasket and a lamp. Not applicable during the marathon stage.
- Bar/restaurant: Continuous service in the bar from the arrival of the first participant until 11.00pm. The restaurant will be open from 12.00pm to 5.00pm and from 7.00pm to 11.00pm. It will be closed from 5.00pm to 7.00pm for the preparation of dinner. Pasta will be available in a corner of the bar during these two hours.
- Participants' Service: From 6.00am to 10.00pm
- Press: For the exclusive use of accredited media
- Medical service: From 5.30am to 11.00pm. Emergency service 24 hours a day
- Logistics: with an air compressor and outlets for recharging at the service of participants. From 6.00am to 10.00pm.
- Mechanical and physiotherapeutic service: From arrival to 11.00pm. Not available during the marathon stage.
- Bicycle parking area
- Toilets:* 1 for each 25 persons
- Showers:* 1 for each 25 persons with a maximum of 3 minutes per person. Not available during the marathon stage.

*Water is provided for the showers and toilets from barrels carried from the nearest well. The water is stored in a tank where it is treated with iodine and pumped to the showers and toilets. In order for the service to function properly we urge participants to make careful use of the water and toilets, using only what is necessary and keeping the rest of the participants in mind. It is for this reason that it is prohibited to wash clothes, bikes or other material.

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE MARATHON STAGE

The marathon stage is a stage during which participants can receive no assistance.

During this stage the camps do not have 3-person *haimas* for sleeping, nor are there showers, and there is no access to baggage. Mechanical and physiotherapeutic assistance is also not available. The rest of the services are still provided.

The space designated for sleeping during this stage is a common area for all participants. It is covered and has ground protection but participants must be independent and carry all necessary material for sleeping and for the subsequent stage: mat, sleeping bag, clean clothing, toilet articles, tools, spare parts, etc.

Participants must also carry their belongings during the next day's stage. If you decide to jettison any material, it cannot be recovered later.

ASSISTANCE

If you wish to hire the services of a mechanic or physiotherapist, they can be found on our website www.titandesert.com. These services are separate from those of the organisation and are hired by each participant directly from the providers.

You can also bring your own assistants, who must register as mechanics and/or physiotherapists on the website.

REGISTRATION FEES FOR MECHANICAL ASSISTANTS

MECHANIC REGISTRATION FEE: €1,570

The fee includes:

- Accommodation for 7 nights in a hotels or camps
(From 28 April to 5 May with full board. Does not include breakfast on 28 April or lunch on 5 May.)
- A working area of 4 square metres for each mechanic in a shared *haima*
The *haima* will not have a floor or electrical outlet.
Each *haima* will be shared among 4 mechanics.
- Compressed air for bicycle maintenance supplied by the organisation, to be shared with the rest of the participants and workers
- Lighting in the tent until 11.00pm
- Transport between camps
- A book of 6 vouchers that can be exchanged for water in the camps

Box for extra material: €300

- A box for materials of 80x45x35 cm, which will remain the property of the mechanic at the end of the race
- Transport of the box to the end of each stage except on marathon day

Assistance vehicle number plate: €225

- Authorisation for the vehicle to enter the camps
- Roadbook for travel between camps
- It is recommended that the vehicle have 4-wheel-drive. (The organisation will not be responsible for the condition of the tracks that access the camps.)
- An adhesive identification plate for the vehicle
- No unaccredited persons will be permitted to travel in the vehicle
- A reserved parking area for the vehicle in the camp

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- Mechanics may travel by their own means if they have purchased an assistance number plate or in the common transport that leaves every morning for the next day's camp. No discount will be given for independent travel.

- One box per mechanic will be transported in the lorry of the logistics service. These boxes must be left next to the lorry before 7.00am each day.

- During the marathon stage, assistants will spend the day apart from the race and be accommodated in a hotel in the area with full board. Any assistance rendered to participants during this day will be penalised by exclusion from the race.
- Mechanics' equipment must be deposited at the warehouse designated by RPM for the delivery of bicycles between 17 and 19 April duly identified for transport.
- The transport of items that do not fit in the boxes, such as wheels, frames or bike racks, must be separately packed. No cardboard boxes are permitted. We recommend bags such as those used for skis or sailing. All of this material will travel on the bed of an open lorry.
- There will be no electrical outlets or floor covering in the work areas.
- At the arrival of the last stage a work area will be provided for the disassembly and packing of all the bicycles.
- No material will be accepted that does not fit in its corresponding shipping box.

REGISTRATION FEES FOR PHYSIOTHERAPEUTIC ASSISTANTS

PHYSIOTHERAPIST FEE: €1,570

The fee includes:

- Accommodation for 7 nights in a hotels or camps
(From 28 April to 5 May with full board. Does not include breakfast on 28 April or lunch on 5 May.)
 - A working area of 4 square metres for each physiotherapist in a shared *haima*
The *haima* will not have electrical outlets.
Each *haima* will be shared among 4 physiotherapists.
 - Lighting in the tent until 11.00pm
 - Travel insurance
 - Transport of a massage table duly packed in accordance with the organisation's criteria
 - Transport between camps
 - A book of 6 vouchers to be exchanged for water in the camps
- The physiotherapeutic service is subject to the same regulations as mechanical assistance.
 - Massage tables must be deposited at the same time as the assistance material in the RPM warehouse between 17 and 19 April.
 - The physiotherapists will be placed in common *haimas* with roughly two square metres per person and a carpet on the ground where they will have to accommodate themselves.
- The organisation will provide space for physiotherapists to work from the day of verification to the arrival of the race on 4 May.**

RACE PROCEDURES

MANDATORY EQUIPMENT FOR PARTICIPANTS

All participants who start in a stage must carry the following material with them:

- 3 litres of water at the start
- The roadbook
- A compass or GPS device (not provided by the organisation)
- A space blanket (not provided by the organisation)
- A helmet (not provided by the organisation)
- 2 dorsals
- A number plate on the bicycle

Each participant must be in possession of a passport which is valid for a minimum of 6 months. Remember to check visa requirements for Morocco, which differ according to your country of origin.

DAILY BRIEFING AND AWARDING OF PRIZES

- Attendance will be mandatory at the briefing held on 28 April, where the race and its procedures will be presented and directions given for the first stage. The time will be 7.00pm and the place will be announced. One hour before the roadbooks for Stage 1 will be delivered.
- **A briefing with notes and modifications for the next stage** will be held each day at 8.00pm in the camp.
- Each day's prizes will be awarded at the same time and the men's and women's **leader's jersey will be presented** along with the **trophy for the men's and women's overall winner for the stage**.
- **Attendance by the winners is mandatory.**
- A system for **simultaneous translation** will be available for foreign participants so that they can follow the participant briefings. Those who wish to follow the proceedings in English must request a translation device before the meeting starts and return it afterwards.

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PODIUM AT THE ARRIVAL OF THE LAST STAGE

- At the arrival of the last stage there will be an area set aside so that family members, sponsors and guests can welcome all the race finishers.

DURING THE RACE/THE START/WATER POINTS/CONTROLS/FINISH

The **procedures for the race** will be the following:

- Before the start participants must have marked energy bars, jellies and water containers with their dorsal number. The organisation will make daily spot checks. Violators may be sanctioned by race management (*see regulations*).
- At the start all participants must pass the start control. Once in the starting area riders will start when the audible signal is given and must pass under the starting arch.
- The route that appears in the roadbook, which will be intermittently blazed, is the suggested, recommended route.
- The only mandatory parts of the route are the control points marked in the roadbook. At these points riders must pass under the tent where the control group is located.
- There will be 3 water points along the route which it is not mandatory to pass. (*See drinks in the PROVISIONING section on page 19.*)
- **It is forbidden to leave with the drink containers**, which must be deposited in the bins.
- At the arrival of the stage, next to the timekeeping apparatus there will be an arch that marks the finish. It is mandatory to pass under this arch, and the order of passage will determine the classification for that stage.

- After passing this point you will find the Participants' Service *haima* where you can exchange your roadbook for the next day's roadbook.
- Next to the Participants' Service area will be an area for interviews. It is mandatory for the stage winners and other participants who are so requested to meet the press in this area.

PARTICIPANTS' SERVICE: FUNCTIONS AND TIMETABLE

- Participants' Service is where participants go if they have any problems or questions or need advice.
- It will be found in a central location in the camp and be clearly indicated.
- It will be indicated on the day of verification.
- It will be indicated on the day of arrival.
- Six people will be on duty at Participants' Service who will be willing to help with any problems and provide advice.
- Participants' Service will be open from 6.00am to 10.00pm without pause.

TIMEKEEPING

- Timekeeping will be performed by a computerised system.
- There will be 5 controls for each stage: at the start, the finish, and at three control points along the route.
- Controls are carried out by means of chips. These chips will be delivered at verification and must be installed on the fork, close to the ground.
- The chips must be returned to Participants' Service on the day of arrival.
- If the chip is lost or damaged, it will be replaced by Participants' Service.

SIGNAGE/ROADBOOK/BLAZING

- The route appears in the roadbook, which indicates the ideal route to follow between the start and the finish passing by the controls and water points. Along the ideal route will be found a series of marks at about 3 to 4 kilometres from one another that will help participants to orient themselves.
- The roadbook will be in size DIN A5, bound at the top.
- The roadbook will be in Spanish and English. Following is a chart of the symbols used in the roadbook for the MTD:



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	TARMAC		LIGHT POLE
	ROAD		MOUNTAIN
	OFFROAD		STOP
	DANGER 1		FOLLOW MAIN TRACK
	DANGER 2		LEAVE MAIN TRACK
	DANGER 3		OFF ROAD
	HOLE		MANDATORY
	BUMP		LOW VISIBLY
	DITCH		VERY LOW VISIBLY
	STEP		CHECKPOINT
	ON RISE		START
	DOWNHILL		FINISH
	FISSURE		CAMEL GRASS
	OVER / UNDER BRIDGE		PALM
	STONES		TREE
	WATER WELL		WELL
	FENCE		POLE
	PALISADE		PARALLEL TRACKS
	DUNE		DIRECTION
	OUED (dry river)		WAYPOINT
	SAND TONGUE		WALL
	SIGNALS		RUINS
	HOUSES		TRAIN RAILS

AWARDS DINNER AND CEREMONY

- The dinner and awards ceremony will be held on 4 May at the Hotel Xaluca.
- A press conference will be held before the dinner which must be attended by the individual men's and women's winners.
- The awards for each category will be presented after the dinner and there will be a ceremony during which the final trophies will be awarded.
- If companions wish to be present at the finish there will be a programme that will include the dinner and the awards ceremony. Places will be limited.
- The prizes for winners are described in the race regulations.
- After the dinner and the awards ceremony there will be an end-of-race party at the Hotel Xaluca and a transfer service to the Hotel Chergui will be provided until 1.00am.

PRESS

- There will be a press room with **limited and exclusive access** for the journalists accredited by the race.
- Local media who wish to receive a personalised communiqué from each participant must make prior contact with the press service, which coordinates all information, at prensa@titandesert.com.

PHOTOGRAPHY SERVICE

The Photography Service during the race consists of two professional photographers who will take photos of all participants at different points along the route of each stage.

After the race the photos will be available on our website and can be viewed and purchased directly from the shopping basket.

Searches for photos can be made by dorsal number, name or team.

Once the purchase has been made you will receive an e-mail with the codeword to download them.

DEPOSIT

- Each participant must make a deposit of €85 by authorising the charge against a credit card (or in cash during verification).
- This deposit is to cover the loss of the timekeeping chip.
- No charge will be made to the credit card without cause or the cash deposit will be returned at Participants' Service at the finish of the last stage.

TRAVEL INSURANCE

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RISKS AND AMOUNTS INSURED PER PERSON AND TRIP

BAGGAGE AND DELAYS

1.1 BAGGAGE AND PERSONAL EFFECTS INSURANCE

Payment is guaranteed for material loss to baggage as a result of theft, damage from fire or theft or damages for total or partial loss caused by the carrier. €300

1.2 DELAY IN DELIVERY OF BAGGAGE

If there is a delay in the delivery of baggage of 24 hours or more, the Insurer will pay for the purchase of items of first necessity in the amount of €30 for each 24 hours of delay, with a limit of: €30

REPATRIATION, MEDICAL EXPENSES AND 24 HOUR ASSISTANCE

2.1 MEDICAL EXPENSES FOR ILLNESS OR ACCIDENT

Payment of expenses and doctor's fees, medicine (by prescription), surgery, hospitalisation and ambulance, with a limit of:

- For expenses originating in Spain and resulting from an illness or accident which occurred in **Spain**: €600
- For expenses originating abroad and resulting from an illness or accident which occurred **abroad**: €10,000

2.2 EXTENSION OF STAY IN HOTEL

If the Insured is ill or has had an accident and return is impossible, if so decided by the medical team and the Insurer after contact with the treating doctor, the Insurer will bear the cost of expenses resulting from the extension of the stay at the hotel in the amount of €30/day, with a limit of: €300

2.3 TRAVEL FOR A COMPANION

If the Insured has been hospitalised for a period deemed to last longer than 5 days, the Insurer will provide a family member of the Insured with a round trip ticket from their place of residence so that they may be present at his/her bedside. Amount: UNLIMITED

2.4 COMPANION'S ACCOMMODATION

When the Insured has been hospitalised for a period of longer than 5 days, the Insurer will bear the costs of the expenses for the accommodation of a family member in a hotel upon presentation of the proper receipts in the amount of €30/day with a limit of: €300

2.4 REPATRIATION OF THE BODY

To the burial place in Spain with a limit of: UNLIMITED



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